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SUBJ: PRESS TREATMENT CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY ON ARMS SALES TO KUWAIT

1. INITIAL KUWAITI PRESS REACTION TO TESTIMONY BY ACTING ASST. SECRETARY SOBER BEFORE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS RE KUWAITI ARMS PURCHASES FAVORABLE. FRONT PAGE STORY KUWAIT TIMES OCTOBER 26 UNDER HEADLINE "STATE DEPARTMENT REJECTS CONGRESSIONAL CRITICISM OF ARMS TO KUWAIT" STRESSES POSITIVE STATEMENTS BY SOBER AND SPECULATES CONGRESSIONAL "VETO" WILL NOT BE SUSTAINED. PAPER ALSO QUOTES CONGRESSMAN HAMILTON'S CONCERN RE USE OF WEAPONS OUTSIDE KUWAIT, KUWAITI "BEDOUIN ARMY'S" CAPACITY TO USE MODERN WEAPONS AND NEED FOR DIPLOMACY TO RESOLVE KUWAITI/IRAQI BORDER DISPUTE.

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2. ONLY OFFICIAL REACTION SO FAR TO HAMILTON AND SOBER STATEMENTS
HAS BEEN EXPRESSION OF HOPE BY KUWAITI CHIEF OF STAFF TO CHUSLOK
THAT ISSUE WILL NOT CREATE PROBLEMS FOR FMS PROGRAM.
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